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## Statement by Secretary of State's Office

The Secretary of State's Office issued the following statement today:

**“An alternative writ has been issued which is a routine procedural device for getting issues before a court. The court has heard from the petitioners and now they're requesting to hear from us. We believe that the Secretary of State's advice to the counties is correct. We look forward to making our case before the court.”**

- Doug Stone,  
Communications Director

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